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News & Announcements

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Erie Board of Trustees Action Items - November 12, 2013

Board Approves Historic Old Town Erie Urban Renewal Plan – During Tuesday night's meeting, the Board approved the Urban Renewal Plan for the Historic Old Town Erie Area Urban Renewal Area. Though the Board approved the URA Plan for Old Town, they excluded the use of eminent domain within the Historic Old Town Area. In separate actions, the Board directed staff to develop a residential rehabilitation program for Old Town residents and create a Historic Old Town URA Area advisory committee to be comprised of Old Town stakeholders interested in providing input on future redevelopment projects.

View more information on the Town of Erie Urban Renewal Authority.

Board Appoints Trustee and Planning Commissioners – During Tuesday night's meeting, the Board appointed Fred Mahe to fill the vacancy created by former Trustee Paul Ogg's resignation. Mahe, who served on the Planning Commission will serve as Trustee until the next Regular Municipal Election on April 1, 2014. The Board also appointed Diane Nelsen and Ryan Knott to the Planning Commission to fill the vacancies created by the resignations of Dan Woog and Fred Mahe, both of whom were selected to serve on the Board of Trustees.

Community Impact Awards – The Town of Erie Community Impact Award recognizes businesses and individuals who have made an exceptional contribution toward economic vitality within Erie. This is the inaugural year for the Community Impact Award. The 2013 Award recipients are:

• Pure Risk Solutions: As President of Pure Risk Solution, Erie resident John Jacquat is recognized as a true advocate for Historic Downtown revitalization. After renovating the 2nd floor of his 500 Briggs Street building into a modern and welcoming office suite, Mr. Jacquat relocated his insurance business to Erie from their Denver location in January 2012. John's newest business venture includes the opening of "The Old Mine" – a cider and brew house located on the first floor of his building. Pure Risk was the title sponsor of the inaugural Erie Brew Fest held this past summer. Thanks to John's leadership, the event was a huge success and attracted over 600 visitors (mostly from outside of Erie) to our Historic Downtown.

In addition to supporting Historic Downtown, Pure Risk Solutions has been the Parks & Recreation Department's largest Community Partner. Thanks to their generosity, they have helped facilitate all of the special events throughout the past two summers and supported the youth baseball and youth softball leagues.

Mr. Jacquat is a member of the Erie Chamber of Commerce and the Erie Economic Development Council.

• Magnum Plastics: Owner Dave Miller and family founded Magnum Plastics in 1993 specializing in complex, high precision injection molding components and assemblies for the medical field. In 1999 Magnum Plastics built a nearly 20,000 square foot state of the art manufacturing facility at the northwest corner of Bonnell and Austin Avenues in Erie. In 2012 Magnum Plastics made a larger commitment to Erie with the construction of an additional 12,000 square feet of manufacturing space next door to its existing facility. This expansion allowed Magnum Plastics to grow from approximately 43 employees at the beginning of 2013



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to over 85 employees this summer with the opening of the new building and expanding contracts. It is for their significant commitment and increasing contributions toward the overall economic vitality of our community that the Town honors Magnum Plastics.

- FRP Apparel: FRP Apparel is locally owned and operated in Erie by Sandy Hutzley. Ms. Hutzley started Front Range Promotions in 2007. And since that time, few Erie businesses have demonstrated the sustained and enthusiastic support for the community as FRP Apparel. Sandy is a firm believer in delivering personal attention to each client to ensure that they receive the best care and products possible. She also believes in giving back to the community in a variety of ways. Sandy is Past President of the Erie Chamber of Commerce, Vice President of the Erie Optimist Club and a supporter of small businesses. FRP Apparel currently serves as the sole provider of Town of Erie staff apparel and provides all sports trophies, awards and uniforms for the Erie Recreation Department's Youth and 50 + teams and leagues. FRP has been been a valued sponsor for Town events and was a sponsor of the inaugural Erie Brew Fest held this past summer. Thanks to Sandy's participation, the Erie Brew Fest exceeded attendance expectations and brought attention to the Town's commitment to revitalizing the Historic Downtown Business District.
- Chick-fil-A at Larkridge: Though their business is located outside of Town limits, Barrie Goettsche and June Werner have succeeded at integrating Chick-fil-A at Larkridge into the Erie through their continued support of town programs and businesses. Over the past 6 years, Chick-fil-A has been a key sponsor of special events, has been a primary sponsor at the Ballpark at Erie and is recognized for their fundraising efforts on behalf of local schools. Barrie and June are both current members of the Erie Chamber of Commerce and embrace the notion that supporting Erie businesses creates more local jobs and creates more opportunity for those wages to be spent in Erie. Perhaps the best example of how they encourage economic development is their decision to make a point of sourcing the fresh flowers for all of their restaurant tables from the Flower Nook an Erie business. Whether it is providing refreshments for volunteers at a sporting event or offering meals for victims and First Responders after a disaster, Chick-fil-A at Larkridge reliably answers the call for help.



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Upcoming Board of Trustees Meetings – The next regularly scheduled <u>Board of Trustees</u> meeting will be on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at 6:30 pm. All meetings are held in the <u>Town Hall boardroom</u> located at 645 Holbrook Street in Erie.

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